VOL. 24.

WILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, 1868.

NO. S.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ERRORS OF YOUTH.

GENTLEMAN who suffered for years from who need it, the receipt and directions for making No. 42 Cedar st., New York.

april 19 Bishop Atkinson's Appointments.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

Court of Equity, to Spring Term, 1868. Patrick Murphy,

John L. McMillan and Original Bill.

T APPEARING UPON AFFIDAVIT, that John L. McMillan, one of the defendants in the above entitled suit, so absconds or conceals imself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, he is hereby notified to appear at the next Term of the Court of Equity, to be held for the county of New Hanover, at the Court House in Wilmington, on the fourth Monday after the fourth Monday in March, A. D. 1868, then and there to plead, answer or demur to said suit, or judgment pro confesso will be entered as

Witness, FREDERICK D. Poisson, Clerk and Master of the Court of Equity for the county of New Hanover, the 4th Monday after the 4th Monday in September, A. D. 1867.

FREDERICK D. POISSON.

THOUGHTS FOR THE PEOPLE.

TAXATION: TAXATION :: UNDER THE NEW CONSTITUTION :::

To the people of North Carolina:

therefore, is more important to us than say at least one-third more. that of taxation. In our condition it is one of the highest interest. We therefore desire that when the people vote on the new Constitution, they may understand what burdens they are assuming. We have, therefore, made a careful

estimate of the money necessary to be raised within the next twelve months, if the Constitution goes into operation. The estimate cannot be disputed, being calculated from official data.

1. Interest on the public debt. The new Declaration of Rights declares "that the public debt regularly contracted before and since the rebellion shall be inviolate." In article V, sec. 4, it is provided that "the General Assembly shall by appropriate legislation and by adequate taxation this purpose can be less than \$500,000 .provide for the prompt and regular pay- For white children only, before the war, ment of the interest on the public debt, the Literary Board distributed \$175,000, and after 1880 it shall levy a specific annual the counties raising the same amount-in tax upon the real and personal property of all \$350,000. the State, and the sum thus realized shall be set apart as a sinking fund to be devoted to the payment of the public debt."

It thus appears that if the people ratify the public debt BY TAXATION.

The Convention was not satisfied with this Constitutional provision. They framed an ordinance directing how the interest shall be paid. It is provided that the first Gen-

2d. All interest due before the 1st of January, 1869, and interest on bonds dated | 000 more, and the estimate is very small. since the war and before the 1st of July, 1869, shall be funded into new bonds, and 3d. The interest on all the debt due 1st of July, 1869, must be paid in cash.

It must be noticed here that internal improvement bonds issued during the war, although under acts passed before the war, and used for building our railroads, not for war purposes, amounting to \$1,053,000, are peculiarly unfortunate, as they are the only by the ordinance will go out of the State. the war, not for war purposes, are ignored, the ordinance only providing for bonds dated before the war and since the war.

to be paid in cash on and before 1st July,

The debt dated before May 20th, 1861, is \$8,906,500. On this there must be paid 1st of January, 1869, in cash, \$267,000. The debt dated since the war is \$5,011,-500. The Convention authorized \$3,050,-

000 more, in all \$8,061,500. To this add interest fundable into new bonds, under the ordinance, as follows Interest authorized to be funded under

the act of March 10, 1866, not yet presented. (estimated).... Interest on bonds dated before the war. accruing since 1866,

Add bonds dated before the war, 8,906,500 Total on which interest is to be paid

or one million one hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars annually! Of this \$584,debt, out of their next crop, \$851,000!! \$2,600,000.

In the above estimate we include the \$1,000,000 guarantied by the Convention to pay the interest on its dept.

far from being the case. A little consider- higher than at present. ation will show that the expenses of ad- Of course such taxation is confiscation. blacks, then a negro would have the right lately emerged from slavery. What is to ernor, and dozens of other offices and comministering the government under the new Nearly all the land in the State would be to go to the white school, and all this grows prevent, hereafter, exhorbitant taxation on missions, heretofore unknown to our laws, Constitution will be beyond measure great- exposed to sale and bid in by the State or out of the vital principle of absolute equality property? With 70,000 new voters, wither than has ever been known in North by those fortunate enough to have money, incorporated into every clause of this outwealth or intelligence, it certainly seems vided; so that the increased annual expenat the result. It will be seen that where a we call the attention of our readers partic- The Constitution was the only place and tax-payer paid \$1 last year, he will have to ularly to an important piece of informa- the proper place to provide for such dis-

ted. The sum total will be more than \$80,-

Nervous Debility, Premature Decay and the effects of youthful indiscretion, will, for all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will, for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all and on all personal property in the State The whole who need it, the receipt and directions for making the same schools; that whites and blacks should pound, or one-fourth of the farmer's prothe simple remedy by which he was cared. Sufthe same companies, and duce. This amounted, for the whole State, high officials of by negro votes. ferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's expelled that black officers should not command the loss officers should not command the loss officers are necessions, &c., &c., down to lands. And it must always be remembered that black officers should not command the loss officers are necessions. ferers wishing to profit by the action of command the rience can do so by addressing, in perfect confidence, and babies of the constitution white militia; that poor white children that black offices are necessing, in perfect confidence, and babies of the constitution white militia; that poor white children that black offices are necessing, in perfect confidence, and babies of the constitution white militia; that poor white children that black offices are necessing, in perfect confidence, and babies of the constitution white militia; that poor white children the constitution compelling child-

1. Expenses of General Assembly. 15 days after the acceptance of the Consti- ded for in this Constitution.

24th average \$666, the General Assembly, with 170 members, if they sit no longer, will cost \$107,000. They will sit much longer, diction of the foregoing facts. as they will have much more business to 4th do. The new Constitution totally changes your impoverished condition, can you bear beyond cavil or question. unusual legislation.

2. Salaries of new officers. heretofore. For example:

1 Lieut. Governor. 1 Superintendent of Public Works. 1 Attorney General.

2 Supreme Court Judges. 4 Superior Court Judges. 3 Commissioners to revise the laws.

Boards of Public Charities, enjoined by Article 41, Sec. 7, at least 3 we presume. We count the Attorney General as a new they are now, and there is to be a Solicitor and degradation ! to ride the Raleigh Judicial Circuit. The Attorney General is to be merely an advisory officer. The Superintendent of Public Instruction is counted, because his salary SOLID OBJECTIONS TO THE PROis to be paid by the State, not as heretofore by the Literary Board. Without

whose salaries will not be less than \$35, 000, in addition to those heretofore in use. Besides, from the example set by the Convention in having useless officers in their pay, such as Sergeant-at-arms and reporter, and from their liberality with the The poverty of our people is in every one's public moneys to themselves and others, it The statements of our poverty seems clear that all salaries will be on a have not been exaggerated. No question, larger scale than heretofore-it is safe to

officers, here are 16 important offices,

3. Penitentiary. The General Assembly is required to build Penitentiary. This will cost at least spent the first year. Probably a Superintendent, with a salary, will be appointed.

It is enjoined on the General Assembly at their first session to provide, by taxation and otherwise, for a general and uniform system of Public Schools, wherein tuition (of all colors) of the State between the ages

There are about 200,000 children in the State, white and colored, between the aforesaid ages. It is impossible that the tax for

It is enjoined on the General Assembly to provide that the benefits of the University be extended to the youth of the State the Constitution, they expressly command (of all colors) free of charge. Of course the General Assembly to commence this will require an appropriation. Cerpromptly the payment of the interest on tainly \$25,000 is a moderate sum for the

6. Insane, Blind, Deaf and Dumb. The General Assembly is required to provide that all insane, deaf, dumb and blind shall be supported by the State. eral Assembly under the Constitution shall Heretofore the State only supported the pay in cash, on the 1st of January, 1869 the white poor of these afflicted classes. This interest on the bonds, dated before May provision throws on the State the support of the rich as well as the poor, colored as well as white, which will cost at least \$50,-

> Sec. 2, Art. xii, declares that "the General Assembly shall provide for the organization, arming, equipping and disciplinwhen called into actual service.

Ex-Provisional Governor Holden, in a late editorial in the Standard, said "that when the blue coats shall be withdrawn totally ignored by this ordinance. This is from he State, the State militia, organized on a loyal basis: i. e. black and white, will State bonds held by our own citizens, while take their place." He has often praised forty-nine dollars out of every fifty raised the policy of Gov. Brownlow, of Tennessee, whose militia cost last year about \$300,-Many other bonds and notes issued during | 000. The Standard, of March 19th, says, "we must sit at the feet of Brownlow, as Paul sat at the feet of Gamaliel." If Holden be elected, of course he will carry out We have carefully calculated the interest the same policy and we cannot expect our State to pay less than Tennessee. We set down not less than \$300,000 for the mili-

	To recapitulate the proposed ormer years:	: Inc State	rease gove	of er	xpense nt ove
2. 3. 4. 5.	General Assembly, New offices and inc Penitentiary Common Schools University Asylums	crease o	f Sala	ries	. 60,0 50,0 . 500,0 27,0
7.	Militia			(*(*)*)*(*)	. 300,0

Interest on bonds dated since the war, 940,500 Now add the interest on the public debt, \$2,509,000 and we have a grand total of \$1,836,000

support the State Government. As said before, where a tax payer was taxed \$1 last year, he will, under the pro-

be added all county and city taxes. County Taxes. 000 is to be paid 1st July, 1869 in addition | 000. We have no data for estimating the school, public hotel, or assemblage; he or tomed to regard as embodying thought, to it—and, I am sure, neighbor John, you to the \$267,000 payable 1st January next. | city taxes. The State and county taxes, she may claim, under this vital principle of and wisdom, and political experience, cannot have considered this matter well to In other words, the people must raise, under the new Constitution, to be raised the Constitution the right to intermarry deemed it best that the Senate should be be in favor of it. by taxation, to pay interest on the public out of the people next winter, must exceed with a white person, to be educated at the composed in a different manner—the House RADICAL—You talk as if you have stud-

for the Wilmington, Charlotte and Ruther-ford Railroad Company, as that Company sent rates, then land would pay for State is not able, and has not been since the war, purposes, on the valuation of 1860, eighty as these, would be utterly null and void. old Constitution. the House of Commons out of it which ought to be in it. What is to be done. Sir, it was a scene that made the heart cents on the \$100. On the valuation of for such act would violate Constitutional represented population, counting five there in it you object to? The tax levied under the Revenue act of February 26, 1867, yields about \$260,000, But if the rates are made eight times of the Senate is taxation. Hence, proso that for the item of interest only more higher than now, many subjects of taxa- and blacks shall not intermarry, such act of perty is protected in one branch of the which our impoverished people have to than three times the present tax must be tion will be destroyed. Under the new the Legislature would be void. If it were Legislature would be void. If it were the present tax must be ton will be destroyed. added to the levies—that is, where a man Constitution, the poll tax cannot be higher to provide that a negro should not be edu- sway in the other. paid \$1 last year, he must pay \$4 this year, This is on the supposition that the expen- raised on other subjects, the deficiency negrochildren should not go to the public conservative features are abolished. ses of the proposed State government will must be assessed on land. The land tax schools where white children go, such act | Both Houses are founded on mere num- Works, a Superintendent of Public Instruc-

Carolina. Prudent men will stand aghast generally Northern speculators. And here "Constitution." tion. The Homestead granted by Sec. 2. tinctions and limitations between the races.

000. To meet this, the Convention has delusion and a mockery. Of what use is a sions. It was proposed to provide that and enormous Federal taxation. The tax "adventurers" as Menninger, Ashley, vention meant this, if it meant anything.— A Servous Debility, Premature Decay and levied a special tax of five cents on the \$100 Homestead, when taxed more than its own- whites and blacks should not intermarry; on cotton growers only, was 2; cents per Tourgee, and the numerous families of When the subject was being considered by

cost \$80,000, each member costing on an rather than over-estimated, the taxation for were about, for they had legal counsel in nals of corruption. They actually gave one dicial character of the State?

Fellow-citizens of North Carolina! In do. The new Constitution totally changes your impoverished condition, can you bear our laws and will call for a great deal of such a load of taxation? Will it not crush But is this a matter of importance? It is Same Railroad of all that remains of the ready impoverished people of the State the under negro officers. out all your enterprise, your vitality? If, of incalculable importance. There are 70, then, you wish not to have all your real 000 negro voters in the State, and they vote Works—ten large dams and locks—making every year. More offices have been created than property put under the Sheriff's hammer almost as one man; they hold the balance an immensely valuable water power, costand sold for taxes; if you would not have of power; indeed, THEY WILL RULE. In ing the State over half a million of dollars. your Homesteads sold for taxes and your many of the counties they can and will Gen. Littlefield, a northern man, who lobwives and children turned out to beg and elect every officer; if they do not do bied the Convention the entire session, 1 Superintendent of Public Instruction. die, and your once pleasant homes pass in- so now they will just as soon as their and sang "John Brown's body lies mould- the Union. to the hands of strangers and State bond power is established under this Con- ering in the grave" ever its labors, at its holders, rally, rally to the polls, at the ap- stitution, and now they uniformly close frequently spoke of having large proaching election, and vote down the elect white men meaner and lower possessions in the Deep River Valley.

You desire to see the Union restored and ties, elect the Justices of the Peace, Comharmony among all our people, but, in the missioners, Clerks, Sheriffs, Registers and poverished natives, into power. officer, because he will be a salaried officer; means and plan of restoration proposed, all other officers; they can impose such his duties are to be different from what you can see nothing but beggary, and ruin, taxes as they please; they will Rule! Does

POSED CONSTITUTION.

counting 4 new Solicitors and other minor LET ALL MEN READ AND CONSIDER THEM white men!

Ta the people of North Carolina: The proposed Constitution provides for and establishes the civil, political and social equal-

ity of the white and negro races. The most fearful, and, it now appears, the well founded apprehension of the white people of this State, and of the whole South, has been, that there was, and still is, a settled and persistent purpose of the Radical Republican party to force and fasten upon the white people that horror of horrors, the POLITICAL and SOCIAL equality \$250,000. Not less than \$50,000 will be of the white and negro races. Whatever may be said to the contrary by interested, unprincipled and designing men, this purpose is openly manifested in this proposed ORGANIC LAW, this CONSTIUTION, which these organic Law, this Constitution, which these cials of all kinds, can any one say this becomes a NEGRO STATE, by adoptpopular ratification; and by this means they propose to make this odius, degrashall be free of charge to all the children ding, degenerating, desolating and terribly if not at once, by and by? It leads directly crows, to enjoy the franchises they cannot their families. horrible purpose enduring, unalterably and

erpetually operative. This is not empty declamation, nor is it political badinage; on the contrary, it is

tion of every white man in the land.

Let us examine, briefly, the provisions of this new Constitution, and see if these de-The principle of absolute equality permeates and pervades it. The very first section of the Decla ation of Rights (see it) provides "that we hold it to be self-evident that all men are created equal." This is strong, plain language; it asserts absolute equality in all things; not, indeed, as declared in the old Declaration of Independence, for the provision in that instrument had no reference to the NEGRO RACE, as is shown by the Constitutions of the United States and of the several States, and the whole legislation of the Federal and State Governments. The provision in the Declaration of Independence was made in view of, and had direct reference to, the distinc tions among white men, under the Constitution and laws of Great Britain. But we are not left to the plain import of the language used by these Radicals above quoted. This same idea and provision of absolute equality runs through every clause ing the militia, and for paying the same of this Constitution. It provides, in Sec. 1, Article 6, (see it), " EVERY MALE PERSON born in the United States, and every male the horrible end! Pass it and the hands person who has been naturalized, twentyone years old and upward, who shall have resided in this State twelve months next truths, white men, everywhere, and rush preceding the election, and thirty days in the county in which he offers to vote, shall lives, and your wives and children, VOTE be deemed an elector." This provision is AGAINST THIS INFAMOUS CONSTIabsolute and without limitation; it includes TUTION ! WHITES and NEGROES, and all races and colors, and it defines the voting, RULING population of the State; those embraced by this clause are emphatically the PEOPLE, and neither CRIME nor any other cause disqualifies a person from voting. Sec. 4 of this same Article (see it), provides, "Every voter, except as hereinafter provided, shall BE ELIGIBLE TO OFFICE." Thus, it will be seen, that a NEGRO may vote and may hold ANY OFFICE under the Constitution; he may 000 exercise any office or right that a white

universal in its spirit and compass. By tinction as to the ages of delegates need you dont like? posed Constitution, pay \$8. To this must virtue of this leading principle in the Con- not be mentioned. stitution, as a matter of law, a negro can- Both Houses are founded on population. it which I don't like—but much more out of not by possibility be excluded from occu- The framers of the Constitution of the it, which I would have in it. Upon this The county taxes aggregated about \$600,- pying any place in a public church, public United States, which we have been accus- point I have the most decided objections University of the State or in any public representing population, the Senate repre- died and thought over this matter more Rate of Taxation.

If it were possible to raise the rates on the Legislature, acting under this Constitution and I find in it nothnot be greater than heretofore. This is will necessarily be ten or twelve times would be void; even if it were to provide bers-one-third of the people being sud- tion, a Superintendent of the Penitentiary, separate public schools for whites and denly invested with political power, but an Attorney General, a Lieutenant Gov-

A Homestead under this Constitution is a they refused by solemn vote on all occa- under an unprecedented failure of crops pose than to provide for such irresponsible Conservative—But the action of the conthat whites and blacks should not go to the pound on cotton, selling for 10 cents per Frenches, and the like, who, now that the body, it was moved that separate schools The whole plan seems to be a cunningly same schools; that whites and blacks should pound, or one-fourth of the farmer's pro- "bumming" has ceased, are to be made should be provided for the two races, and fore estimated, and votes, Also, to sacri- riages between whites and blacks should nearly a million and a quarter of dollars to with. tution by Congress. They will, of course, We have thus made plain, and within the them with derision and contempt. This taxes which will be more than eight times could not three Supreme Court Judges dren on terms of equality.

did, consult.

in the scale of decency and respectability You desire restoration to the government. | than themselves. They can, in many coun-

> the same school; that if whites and blacks groes and Northerners reign supreme? board at the same hotel and eat promiscudrink with them. Northern men in the PLACE. Convention, claiming to be gentlemen, white men in this State (always Radicals,) of his friends, the laws of the State and cursed !! common decency, by virtue of a " military order," married a negro woman and lives with her in his own house, openly, as his wife! This is one of the cases the Radical Convention ratified by express ordinance. All this is but the beginning. Pass this Constitution, and no one can conceive of of the people will be fast tied-they will be helpless and hopeless! Consider these

No. 4. BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.

EXTRAVAGANCE—CORRUPTION-TAXATION.

to the ballot box, and, as you love your

LOSS OF POWER TO THE WHITE

man may; in every clause of this Constitu- To the People of North Carolina: 8,061,000 more than has heretofore been required to ceivable things and persons, taking benefit fifty, instead of one hundred and twenty, last named gentlemen had had the making under this Constitution; it applies to wo- members-both exactly alike in every par- of it. men and children and all people; it is ticular except number. The trifling dis- RADICAL-Well, what is there in it that

ancestors provided.

the present and successive years, if the new Washington if they had none in the Con-Constitution is ratified. We defy contra- vention, whom they could, and no doubt Railroad leading to Yankee property, in the Judiciary has done well enough. the Deep River valley—\$28,000 per mile— Then there is civil and political equality, more than other Railroads usually cost. — best to "let well enough alone," especially carried its infamy to the extent that it re-

> ruption were the result of putting North- in the Constitution, which should impose this proposition WAS VOTED DOWN .ern adventurers, carpet baggers, and im- upon the absolute duty of rejecting that The Convention not only did this, but ac-

Loss of Power to the White Man. anybody doubt that they will, if this Con- founded on "Federal population," five stitution is established? They give the black men estimated as three white men, sole encouragement to the Radicals; they the 331,059 slaves counting only as 198,633. BOAST that they start with 70,000 NEGRO Under the new Constitution, a black is and impoverished condition of our people, framed by such traitors to their race and votes; they could not have a shadow made equal in political power to a white to pay the annual interest on the State's country. of hope without them ; the hope is, they man. The counties where there are large indebtedness. may be able to SEDUCE and CORRUPT 16,000 numbers of negroes will gain power at the expense of those where the whites pre- diation, are you? Social equality, in a government like ours dominate. Edgecombe, Halifax and War- Conservative.—No, sir, I am far from lutely voted down a proposition forbidding is a sequent of political equality, it springs ren will gain at the expense of the midland it, and this feature of the new Constitution that a WHITE CHILD should ever be from constant and unrestrained recognition and mountain counties. Are the white will do more towards making our people bound out, as an apprentice, to a NEGRO of perfect equality of right and privilege. men of the mountains willing to become repudiate than all the legislation which has MASTER—and should this Constitution It follows political equality as night follows INFERIORS TO THE LATE SLAVES been done in twenty years, not excepting be adopted by the people of North Carothe day, and thus the Constitution, that of the East? Are they willing to see their the secession of the State, and its defeat. lina, your children may be bound out to establishes the former, as certainly estab- railroads stop and go to ruin; their lands Our own courts are closed against the citi- one of your former slaves. The truth is, lishes the latter. Can anybody doubt that confiscated by taxation, to build railroads zens of the State by this very Constitution, in the Eastern counties, where the negroes if children, white and black, are sent to in those portions of the State, where ne- while Northern creditors are allowed to are largely in the majority, under the sys-

ously at the same table; sit in the same 1860, will be much more striking at the over the heads of your wife and children. in the Constitution, there will be a majoriseats at church; travel in the same cars, sit next census, because negroes are leaving And, while such is our situation, this Con- ty of Justices of the negro race, and it is in the same jury box a social feeling by the midland and Western counties and stitution declares that these people, (whose not only probable, but certain, that poor and by will spring up, that such sociability moving into the Eastern. They are lands, and whose ALL, are to be taken from white children, whose parents are dead, will grow until, at last, it will become com- coming, too, in large numbers from them by these Northern "Shylocks,") will be turned over to NEGRO MASTERS! mon and then the evil, the ruin, will be Virginia. It is said to be certain that shall be taxed to the tune of \$1,200,000 a complete? If we make negro Governors, Virginia will reject her Constitution, year to pay interest on the State debt, Judges, Legislators, Congressmen and offi- and in that case, if North Carolina which is almost entirely in the hands of these has done these things, the white men in will not give such officers and their families ing the proposed Constitution, hordes of lainous outrage upon the poor tax-payers, social equality with the negroes than you more or less social position with all classes, sable voters will swarm here like flocks of who can now hardly make a support for will. to this; the consequence is inevitable! In get in their native State. From the home RADICAL.—But, my dear sir, you say you the baneful effects of the Political equality of Thad. Stevens and of Ben Wade, from are not in favor of Repudiation. Then forced upon us by the sword, under the Maine to Kansas, dusky lines of immigrants | what do you propose to do, when you oblegislation of Congress, the present Radi- will seek here that room for the develop- ject to paying only the interest on what the cal candidate for Governor, W. W. Hol- ment of their political ambition, which State owes? lenges the present and serious considera- den, did not hesitate, it is charged, to they cannot attain in the States which | Conservative. - I will tell you. I would walk down Fayetteville Street, in this city, force the enormity on us. Then, too late, tell these Northern bondholders that the with the negro Galloway from Wilmington, will our white citizens bewail the short- debt is a just and honest one-that we will and to drink with him; the President of sighted folly which has led to their ruin. - pay it, but not before we are admitted to our the late Convention, Calvin J. Cowles, did The negroes, and their pretended friends, rights in the Union, and labor shall become not hesitate, it is charged, to go to a Res. who, for the sake of office, descend to depths regulated, order retored, industry retaurant in the City of Raleigh, and order of conscious degradation, will rule the State, vived, and the wealth and prospersupper for himself and several negro dele- and all respectable people who have the ity of the good old days shall return gates to the Convention, and to eat and power will fly FROM THE POLLUTED to bless us and our good old North

openly associate with these negroes, re- cred memories of our past history-by all ry to him or his. and confer, and consult, and jest, and con- you would make this State a fit place for for your side, but still you have not paid verse with them, just as they would do with your CHILDREN TO INHERIT, exert what you owe. the most accomplished white man! Many yourselves, in season, to avoid the impend- Conservative. -That is true; but we are ing calamities! VOTE DOWN THIS IN- going to pay it. When an honest man is there is a noted instance of this in Fay- voluntarily put a chain around your necks. be required of him, morally or legally, is spectably connected, defying the feelings ren have reason to rise up and call you ac- pay it when he has the ability to pay it.

NUMBER 5.

FAMILIAR CONVERSATION ON THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

RADICAL-Good morning, neighbor Joe have you seen the new Constitution? Conservative—Oh! yes.

RADCIAL-Well, it is pretty good under the circumstances, ain't it? Conservative-Well, I have read the Constitution carefully; indeed, I have studied all of its most important provisions and I have come to a different conclusion. It is no more like the old Constitution, handed down to us by those firm old patriots, Gaston and Macon, than Turner's Almanac is

RADICAL-Oh! pshaw! You are prejudiced against the framers of the new Constitution-you don't like Holden, Ashley, McDonald, Tourgee and the other members, who had most to do with fixing it up; \$600,000. This brings our taxes, for State and for this reason you go against the Con-

Conservative—No, my friend, you are mistaken. It is true, I have neither fancy nor use for the men you named and I sum of \$2,540,000! In addition to this, the Federal tax will not be less than \$1,500,000! solved themselves into a general spree, into a regular "Corn-shucking frolic," and that, under the proposed constitution, the tion he is made the EXACT EQUAL of the Under the new Constitution the basis of nor use for the men you named and I white man; he is eligible to be made Gov- representation in both Senate and House should receive with far less hesitation a oo ernor, Chief Justice, Judge, Legislator, of Commons (Representatives) is popula- Constitution made by such men as Gra-Congressman, and to fill any office, high or tion. The great conservative feature of ham, Worth, Bragg, Eaton, Ashe, Shephaving two branches of the Legislature of herd and the like, than from the hands of But this equality of right and privilege different basis, so that one shall be a check these men you name—and, hence, I have is not confined to the males and to voting on the other, is abolished. The Senate is given the new Constitution a more thor and holding office; it applies to all con- to be merely a petty House, composed of ough and critical examination than if the

Conservative-There is a great deal in

Judges and a Superintendent of Public a dangerous experiment to abolish all the ses of the State officers will not amount to old safeguards which the wisdom of our a less sum than \$100,000, or more, -a sum, of itself, sufficiently large, exclusive of Asy- rate schools for the education of white and them and their children, of such a curse as A striking example is at hand. The late lums, to pay the expenses of the present negro children, to prevent my children the establisment of the infamous Constitu-Taxes to pay the expenses of the Convention. Art. x., can be sold for taxes, as is expressly The Legislature, for the reasons already Convention. The expenses, we learn from the Public therein declared. Under this Constitution stated, cannot provide for them, and the ordered the General Assembly to levy a were necessary to the due administration with negroes. Treasurer, already paid, are \$77,165. The nearly every acre of land in the State, radical and vindictive framers of the Con-

charges for printing the Constitution, and of a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the same to be a people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it. But the reverse is true, and the people not yet recovered from the discontinuous against it.

Conservative .- Well, my friend, it is companies and regiments of militia, and

RADICAL. - In the matter of the Judges, negro. I think it would have been better to let the Conservative. -That's the way your old Constitution stand as it was. But it party all talk, but you act differently-and should be our first duty to get back into your acts lead inevitably to social equality

gument of your party friends. We are al- is not all. It was proposed to insert in the ready in the Union, never having been out Constitution a provision forever forbidding Surely such gross extravagance and cor- of it. I set out to tell what I thought was the intermarriage of whites and blacks, and document at the coming election. The tually passed an ordinance legalizing marmost objectionable-I might say, the most riages of whites and blacks !! Heretofore the House of Commons was infamous-feature of this new Constitu- RADICAL.-This cannot be true. If I tion, is that which makes it obligatory believed the Convention had perpetrated upon us the Legislature to levy a tax, at the such an outrage upon the white race as present time, and in the present crippled that I would vote against a Constitution

collect their debts in the Federal Courts, tem of election by the people of all the These results, developed by the census of and, in doing so, to sell your roof from subordinate officers, which is incorporated

Carolina. The bondholder is rich-we are Oh! North Carolinians! By all the sa- poor. He can afford to wait without inju-

ceive them into their rooms at the Hotels, the hopes and aspirations of the future—if RADICAL.—You are making a strong case

RADICAL.—Our State debt is not over fifteen million of dollars, and we ought to be able to pay the interest on that amount. Conservative. —I grant that we ought to be able; but we are not. Besides, this is not all we have to pay. Let us look at this matter as it is, and without party prejudice. The State debt, by the end of the present year, will not be less than \$19,000,000 .-The interest on this sum, at 6 per cent., amounts to \$1,140,000. Under the new Constitution we shall have to raise not less than \$500,000 for the purpose of carrying on the public schools. This makes the sum amount to \$1,640,000. Then we have to raise a tax to support the State Government, which, since the increase of the number of Judges and other high salaried officers, by the new Constitution, will not amount to less than \$300,000. This brings it up to the snug sum of \$1,940,000. But this sum, even, does not begin to be all .-The new constitution requires work-houses, &c., to be constructed, and the county taxes will not amount to a less sum than that, under the proposed constitution, the people, poor as they are, will have to raise each year, in the way of public taxes, the stupendous, the unreasonable, and infamous sum of over FOUR MILLIONS OF DOLLARS!! and the greater portion of

ern "Shylocks" and brokers. about this, for our people cannot pay one- con, Badger, Maugum and Moreheadtenth of this sum. You are mistaken.

raise this amount of money, if their indi- mediately in front of the Speaker's chair, vidual lives depended upon it.

that fact only makes the necessity to defeat which the most popular were such as the constitution the more urgent and obli- "Sal's in the garden siftin sand," old John gatory upon the people. The truth is, this Brown's body is mouldering in the clay,' proposed constitution, in a financial point "Come out of the wilderness," "Oh! Yalof view, is an absurdity ; for it requires that low gal can't you come out to-night," &c. Four millions of taxes could not be collec- sick, and the eyes weep. Candidates for property of the people under the auction- tol, and delegates of the people were seen to with heavy salaries. Should this Constitu- such a requirement were either idiots or haustion!

surprise me. You said awhile ago that you sages, on the benches, and on the floor bodhad as much objection to what was not in ies of many of the revellers, white and the proposed constitution as you had to black, in slumber, snoring away their stuthat which was in it. What is there out of por and weariness! God grant, in his it, which ought to be in it?

compelling the Legislature to provide sepa- ple may be spared the infliction, upon

RATES OF ADVERTISING,

I square, of 10 lines or less, for each and every

Special Notices will be charged \$200 per square foreach and every insertion.

All Obituaries and private publications of every charactor, are charged as advertisements.

No advertisement, reflecting upon private character, can, under ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, be admitted.

the motion was almost unanimously voted

votes to ratify this enormous tax hereto- should not be bound to negroes; that mar- before by our people. They levied taxes ernment, and cannot well be dispensed ren, whose parents are unable to educate them, to send them sixteen months to the The General Assembly must meet within FICE THE HOMESTEAD, hypocritically provi- remain void; but these Radicals always payinterest on the public debt, and a million Conservative.—Could not eight Judges public schools—thus forcing the children of voted down such propositions and treated more for other purposes. They imposed ride the circuits, as well as twelve ?—and poor white men to associate with negro chilvote themselves \$8 per day, one-third more comprehension of all, the enormous cost of they did, well knowing that the Legislature higher than those which the people, im- have done better than five? Have not RADICAL—To be sure, the convention than has been usual heretofore. The Assembly of 1866—'7 cost \$58,000.

As the Convention with 120 members of the convention with 120 members of the white man; they knew what they are convention that the Legislature they are convention to all, the enormous cost of they did, well knowing that the Legislature they are convention to all, the enormous cost of they did, well knowing that the Legislature they did not do this? this outrage upon the white children of the

hanged before I would be mustered by any

enrolment of whites and blacks in the same

with the negro, and to the very result for Conservative. - That is the 'general ar- which you exhibit such aversion. But this

Conservative. - The record can be pro-RADICAL.-You are not in favor of Repu- duced to prove it. But, my dear sir, the Convention not only did this, but it abso-

RADICAL.—This is hardly likely to hap pen, for, notwithstanding the Convention

Conservative. -- You are mistaken again. The whole platform upon which you and your party have been acting, is made up of the word EQUALITY. They sing it, pray it and preach it, night and day.

RADICAL. - I know this, and admit it; but we mean POLITICAL "equality." You ought to make the distinction.

Conservative. Now, you are wrong again. The delegates in that Convention met the negro delegates, ourside of the Convention, on terms of social equality. The charge has been made, and NEVER DE-NIED, that CALVIN J. COWLES, the PRESI-DENT of the Convention, went into an eating house in the city of Raleigh, and called for two plates of oysters, and sat down at the same table, side-by-side, with A. H. Galloway, negro delegate from the county of New Hanover, and the two, Cowles (white) and Galloway (negro) ate together, entertaining each other, at the time, by familiar SOCIAL conversation. It have already intermarried with negro women; FAMOUS CONSTITUTION! Do not have already intermarried with negro women; FAMOUS CONSTITUTION! Do not have already intermarried with negro women; be required of him morelly or legally is nied, that SAML. W. WATTS, delegate from etteville, where a man of property, and re- Let not your children and children's child- to acknowledge the debt, and promise to Martin county, and Radical candidate for JUDGE in the 6th Judicial Circuit, went into a grog-shop in the city of Raleigh with a notorious negro character of that city, known as "Boots, the barber," and the two, Watts (white) and "Boots" (negro) drank together a "social glass," toasting

each other's good looks !! Is not all this SOCIAL EQUALITY? RADICAL-Why, you astonish me! Do you tell me it is true that the President of THE CONVENTION has been charged with associating in that manner with a nigger, and has not denied it? and that another white man of the Convention so acted, and that he was afterwards nominated for the office of Judge by the Republican Convention?

Conservative-Yes, I know these charges have been made, and that they have not been denied. And these acts are not alone done by the men whose names have been mentioned-the members of the Convention, generally, acted towards these negroes in the Convention with a consideration equal to that with which they acted towards white men. I tell you this and am prepared to prove it. Why, on the night before the day of the adjournment, these and county purposes, up to the enormous delegates, in "Convention assembled," resum of \$2,540,000! In addition to this, the mons, of the Capitol of the State of North Carolina, this glorious old State, whose people have been famous, the world over, for their steady morals and correct deportment-there, in that Hall, sanctified by this sum is to go into the pockets of North- of his Country, and made immortal by the Stuart's living representation of the Father names of the sainted Gaston and those RADICAL-There must be some mistake grand old statesmen of former days, Mathere, in that once sacred place, was com-Conservative-I do not give you my menced the most disgraceful, the most inword for it. I give you the figures. There famous transaction, that ever occurred outcannot be any mistake, for "figures do not side of a grog-shop. Members of the Convention, black and white, and black out-RADICAL-Why, sir, our people could not siders, formed a circle, joining hands, imand dancing to all sorts of tunes, different Conservative-That may be true, -and persons singing different tunes; among

at night, and the departing spectator could RADICAL-I confess, these figures rather see, here and there, in the lobbies and pasmercy, that poor old North Carolina may Conservative-In the first place, I would never again be cursed by such a scene in have placed in the constitution a clause her proud old Capitol-and that her peo-